

Headteacher Awards

Kindness - Amelia N for showing selflessness and kindness throughout the whole week.

Compassion - Micah for showing compassion to others at lunchtime.



Headteacher Weekly Message

We started this week by remembering those who have fought so we can have peace. The children heard information in the Gospel assemblies as well as in our school service. On Tuesday, we held a school service in the Church where the children were very reverent, and we were lucky enough to have Mr Clark play The Last Post. I hope that you have found the parent appointments helpful this week to know how your child is doing in their learning. We are changing the Independent Learning sessions to 'Come and Celebrate', these sessions will include a short presentation from the children on their RE learning and opportunity for them to share their RE books with you.

Have a lovely weekend. Miss North

Follow us on Facebook & Instagram to see the school in action.

Catholic Life and Mission

This week we talked about the Gospel reading of the Poor Widow, where the children learnt about being selfless. It has been lovely to see the children then carry out acts of selflessness in school and also the selflessness of the adults going the extra mile to support children as well as parents for your selflessness in giving what you can in donations and supporting school events. Thank you for your Children in Need contributions.

GOSPEL Mark 12:41-44

Jesus sat down opposite the treasury and watched the people putting money into the treasury, and many of the rich put in a great deal. A poor widow came and put in two small coins, the equivalent of a penny. Then he called his disciples and said to them, 'I tell you solemnly, this poor widow has put more in than all who have contributed to the treasury; for they have all put in money they had over, but she from the little she had has put in everything she possessed, all she had to live on.'

Wonder Questions

How did the poor widow have so much trust?

How did the poor widow's offering make Jesus feel?



Please pray for those who fought for peace.



Terrific Teddy Awards

Pre-School: Beau

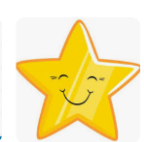
Beau has made lots of new friends and showed kindness towards others. Beau has been a pleasure to have in our Pre-School.

Reception: Clemency

Clemency is developing her confidence and has a really positive attitude towards all our activities in Reception Class. She always shares her games and resources with her friends in a very imaginative way! Mrs Huish says well done!



Pot of Gold



Year 1: Thea for working so hard to improve her handwriting this week. She really tried so hard to learn lower case letter 'g' and also remembered her finger spaces. Well done, Thea!

Year 2: Jack, for being a wonderful role model. He always tries his best, listens to his teachers and participates in class Discussions. He is kind and caring to his friends. Well done!

Year 3: Thea, for being very kind and caring towards all of her peers in class this week. She has been looking out for others and helping them when she can. Well done, Thea

Year 4: Rosie, for working very hard this week. She has been challenging herself in her writing and many members of staff have noted her positive attitude to learning and resilience. Well done Rosie.

Year 5: Buddy, for always having a positive attitude to his learning and making excellent contributions in class Discussions. He is also a good role model to others and a kind friend to all his peers. Well done, Buddy!

Year 6: Amiyah has been a wonderful addition to our class, and has settled in very well. She is a very hard worker and is showing that she is very keen to learn more.



Work of the Week

Sporting News

Year 6 Small Schools Football Tournament

On Tuesday, St Josephs attended the Small Schools Partnership Football Final, at Billericay Town Football club. They played 3 games in their pool after which they had to finish top to progress to the semi-final stage. In their first game, the team dominated the opposition but were unlucky to concede a goal. They then proceeded to win the next two games by a goal which placed them second in the pool. However, the boys played extremely well, demonstrating excellent skills, teamwork and intelligence with the ball. There were numerous examples of unselfish play and exemplary sportsmanship. Miss Minton has not enjoyed watching football so much in a long time! A special thank you to Garry Birch for accompanying the team as manager and coach.



Central Venue League Netball – Round 2 – WdF

Our netball team was also in action on Tuesday in the second round of the South Woodham Ferrers Family Central Venue Netball League. The team of; Nathaniel, Matthew, Sophia, Bella, Kendreah, Naomi, Jessica and Freya. The team played brilliantly against other local primary schools, winning four of their games, with some very accurate shooting and excellent defensive skills being displayed. The team came third overall, very well done! Points scored at the event will be added to the points scored in the first round. The final round will be played later in the year and we wish the team the very best of luck.

Thank you to Mr Minton, Mrs Banks and Miss Moyce for accompanying the team to the event and to Mr Minton for also team managing, thank you.

I would also like to thank the parents who came to watch and support the team throughout the tournament, thank you.

Mrs Hillier

PTA News



The PTA School Disco raised £364.00

Today the Boot Sale raised: £279.20

We appreciate all your support with these events. We are currently fundraising for:

1) A bank of 6 ipads for each class.
£329 per ipad, £1,316 per class.

2) A greater range of books for more able readers - £500

Attendance

Our school target is for 96% attendance. Last half term, Reception Class had the best attendance with 7 weeks above 96%. Well done Reception Class! These children will be rewarded.

This week's attendance is:

Reception	92%
Year 1	91%
Year 2	95%
Year 3	95%
Year 4	98%
Year 5	98%
Year 6	95%

Dance & Opal Play

NEW BALLET CLASSES
With Miss Lauren
South Woodham Ferrers

 Imperial Society of Teachers of Dancing

Tuesdays
4:15-5:00pm
Primary Ballet (Age 5+)
5:00-5:45pm
Grade 1 & 2 Ballet (Age 8+)





For more information or to book your free trial please email.
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Dear Parents,

We are excited to be starting launching our OPAL PLAY initiative which will enhance interaction and play at lunchtimes. We are asking parents to donate a range of items to help with this. If you can donate any of the items listed below, please send them into school from Monday 11th November.

Many thanks!

Mrs Hillier & Mrs Huish

Unwanted saucepans, pans & muffin tins
Wooden spoons



**St Joseph's Catholic Primary
School and Pre-School**

2025

**SCHOOL ADMISSIONS NOW
OPEN**





SCHOOL TOURS

Wednesday 25th September
Tuesday 15th October
Thursday 14th November
at 9:30am



OUR FEATURES

- Developing a love of learning.
- Enrichment activities to support learning.
- Caring, family feel.
- Forest School

INDIVIDUAL TOURS ALSO AVAILABLE





MORE INFORMATION

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ST JOSEPH'S PRE-SCHOOL



From Monday 6th January 2025
all day provision - 8:45am - 3:15pm
We can accommodate 15 & 30
funded hours.

We are proud of our Pre School, which sets the foundations for learning in our school community. The children enjoy learning through interactive experiences and are guided by skilled adults. The children join Key Stage activities, such as weekly assemblies and Early Years themed events. We are very proud of our Pre-School, which gives a special dimension to our whole school.

Diary Dates:

November 2024	
Tuesday 26 th	Mass in Church – Christ the King 10:00am
Wednesday 27 th	Year 4 trip to the Planetarium
Thursday 28 th	KS1 Come and Celebrate 9:00am – 9:20am
Friday 29 th	KS2 Come and Celebrate 9:00am – 9:20am Christmas Pantomime 1pm
December 2024	
Tuesday 3 rd	Mass in Church – First week of Advent 10:00am
Tuesday 10 th	Rock Steady Concert 2:30pm
Wednesday 11 th	Pre-School & Reception Nativity Concert in the hall 9:15am
Thursday 12 th	Christmas Jumper Day Christmas Dinner Day Pre-School & Reception Nativity Concert in the hall 9:15am
Friday 13 th	PTA Christmas Bazaar
Tuesday 17 th	KS1 Nativity in the Church 10:00am
Wednesday 18 th	KS1 Nativity in the Church 2pm
Thursday 19 th	Yr 5 Greek Day Workshop
Friday 20 th	School finishes at 2pm for the Christmas Holidays.